

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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Mr. Mark Subbotin Senior Vice President Newhall Land/Newhall Ranch Division 23823 Valencia Boulevard Valencia, CA 91355

Dear Mr. Subbotin:

REVISED TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT – NEWHALL RANCH SANITATION DISTRICT, NEWHALL RANCH WATER RECLAMATION PLANT (NPDES NO. CA0064556)

On June 6, 2007, we sent you tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, Monitoring and Reporting Program (MRP), and a Fact Sheet for the Newhall Ranch Water Reclamation Plant (Newhall Ranch WRP). Revisions have been made to the Newhall Ranch WRP tentative, based on comments discussed during our June 25, 2007 meeting and based on comments received by the July 18, 2007 comment deadline.

Enclosed are copies of the following:

- Revised Tentative Requirements consisting of:
 - a. Board Order:
 - b. Fact sheet; and,
 - c. Monitoring and Reporting Program.

In accordance with administrative procedures, this Board at a public hearing to be held on September 6, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Room, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California, will consider the enclosed tentative requirements and comments submitted in writing regarding any and all portions thereof. The Board will hear any testimony pertinent to this discharge and the tentative requirements. It is expected that the Board will take action at the hearing; however, as testimony indicates, the Board, at its discretion, may order further investigation.

While we welcome written comments regarding this revised tentative Order, we ask that you refrain from submitting duplicate comments which have previously been submitted on the tentative permit dated June 6, 2007. Written comments on the strikeout/underline changes that were made to the tentative Order must be received at the Regional Board office by the close of business on

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August 20, 2007, in order to be evaluated by Board staff and included in the Board's agenda folder. Comments received after that date will be provided, ex agenda, to the Board for their consideration. Timely submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments are accurately and fully included in the administrative record, that Board staff is able to provide timely review, and that Regional Board members have sufficient time to give full consideration to the comments and issues raised. Comments received after the requested date may result in delay in consideration of the tentative Order.

If you have any questions, please contact Veronica Cuevas at (213) 576-6662 or call me at (213) 576-6720.

Sincerely,

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Unit Chief, Municipal Permitting Unit (NPDES)

Enclosures

cc: Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, Permits Branch (WTR-5)

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